

Dear Parents,

We are continuing to work hard on our attendance this year. Last year we saw a massive improvement in our whole school attendance. Thank you all very much for your co-operation on this matter.

Next term we are going to hold a competition to improve our attendance even further. We are encouraging children to have 100% attendance or even just one day absent from school between the 5th November and 21st December 2018. The children that are able to achieve this will be given an award in January. We will organise an attendance celebration party with spot prizes. There are only 7 weeks next term so make an extra effort to make sure your child's attends school every day so they can avail of this attendance celebration.

Regular school attendance is crucial in raising standards in education and ensuring that every child can have full access to the school curriculum and reach their full potential.

Below is a table for your information. Best of luck with the competition and let's aim for the best attendance.

| Attendance percentage | Rough number of school days | Rough number of school weeks | Rough number of school months |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 95% | 10 days | 2 weeks | ½ a month |
| 90% | 20 days | 4 weeks | 1 school month |
| 85% | 30 days | 6 weeks | 1 ½ school months |
| 80% | 40 days | 8 weeks | 2 school months |

Many Thanks

Mrs S. Blaney